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Speaker Sprowls Appoints Representatives James Bush III and Dana Trabulsy to the Florida Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (July 8, 2021) — Today, Florida House Speaker Chris Sprowls, R-Palm Harbor, appointed Representatives James Bush III, D-Opa Locka, and Dana Trabulsy, R-Fort Pierce, to the Florida Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys.

“Representatives Bush and Trabulsy have been fearless advocates for Florida’s youth,” said Speaker Sprowls. “As a teacher and minister, Dr. Bush has served as a mentor, public servant, and faith leader in his community. Now, he brings his experience and expertise to the benefit of Floridians statewide. Representative Trabulsy has worked tirelessly as an entrepreneur and has focused on uplifting Florida’s students during her time in the House by sponsoring HB 3 – delivering free books to children reading below grade level. I am proud to appoint these two to the Florida Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys.”

“I am honored to have been selected as a member of the Florida Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys,” said Representative Bush. “I am excited to serve in this capacity so we continue engaging and educating our next generation.”

“Thank you Speaker Sprowls for the appointment to the Florida Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys,” said Representative Trabulsy. “I am proud to continue fighting for Florida’s youth and help them achieve their full potential.”

Established in 2006 by the Florida Legislature, the Florida Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys studies conditions that negatively impact black males in Florida. Specifically, the Council focuses its efforts on reducing high school dropout rates, violent crime rates, and incarceration rates.

Elected in 2008 to represent the 109th House District of Florida, Representative Bush served as the Ranking Member on Secondary Education and Career Development Subcommittee, and on the Education and Employment Committee as well as the Criminal Justice and Public Safety Subcommittee.

Elected in 2020 to represent the 84th House District of Florida, Representative Trabulsy served on the Early Learning & Elementary Subcommittee. She was the House sponsor of House Bill 3, the first statewide home book delivery system for elementary students as part of the Speaker's "New Worlds Initiative" to improve youth literacy rates.

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